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**INQUIRY INTO LONG TERM SUSTAINABILITY AND  
FUTURE OF THE TIMBER AND FOREST PRODUCTS  
INDUSTRY**

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I see public forests as ecological and recreational reserves and expect the transition of the hardwood timber industry out of public native forests and towards plantations and a well-managed and boutique private forestry sector.

Especially after the horrific fires in 2019/20, which burnt between 60 and 80% of state forests across NSW, now is the time to make the transition out of native forest logging.

State Forests provide valuable habitat and large trees that are viable for native flora and fauna to survive.

State forests provide valuable spaces to relax, regenerate and for activities. Unsustainable logging and clear felling operations disrupt the eco system, water flows and destroys the habitat for fauna.

My vote will go to parties that commit to an end of native forest logging and a transition to plantations asap.